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Play and Musical Feature Meeting
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The annual ladies' night of the Ashlar Club, composed of Master Masons of the State, War and Navy departments, the Panama Canal office and the White House, was held last night at Old Masonic Temple. A play, a musical program and dancing featured the evening.

The address of welcome was made by President D. Millard J. Holmes. The National Quartet rendered a musical program.

Others on the musical program were: Miss Ethel Garrett, pianist; Miss Margaret Parker, "Sailor's Hornpipe"; dance; Prof. Arthur Green, vocal solo; "Babe" Parker, song and dance; and music by the Ashlar Club Orchestra.

The cast of characters for the play, "Among the Breakers," included John A. Colborn, as "David Murray"; Dr. Frank

J. Rowell, as "Larry Divine"; David L. Alexander, as "Hon. Bruce Hunter"; O. L. Beardsley, as "Clarence Hunter"; William H. Murray, as "Scout"; Miss Beesie Fisher, as "Bess Starbright"; Miss Martha J. Colborn, as "Minnie Danze"; Mrs. O. L. Beardsley, as "Mother Carey"; and Mrs. Frank H. Pierce, as "Biddy Bean."

The chairman of the committees were: Maj. Curtis Otwell, reception; John Bizar, decorations; Dr. Benjamin W. Smith, refreshments; and Richard J. Clarke, dancing.

Italian Refugees Suffering.
Rome, May 27.—Thousands of Italian refugees are pouring southward from Vienna province, where the Austro-Hungarian army invaded Italy. So great has become the burden upon the government that public subscriptions are being collected for the fugitives, all of whom are penniless and without food or clothing.

Riggs Case Shifts to Bank's
Request for a New CharterAcquittal of Three Officials Centers Interest Now
in Comptroller Williams' Decision Regarding
Renewal of License.

Following the acquittal yesterday of Riggs bankers on indictments of perjury, the storm of politics and controversies which has swept about the Riggs National Bank for two years commanded a new interest from financial men and the general public. The most recent turn in the conflict between the bank and Treasury officials, which has had such a varied character, is the application of the bank to Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams for a renewal of its national charter.

Charges that Comptroller Williams had persecuted the bank were made frequently during the trial of the bankers. Speculation was rife yesterday as to whether he would renew the charter, which expires June 27. Despite the acquittal of the bankers, many believed the charter would be denied.

A statement had been issued by Comptroller Williams some time ago to the effect his office would grant charters only to bankers of "reputable character." J. J. Darlington, of counsel for the bankers during their trial for perjury, declared last night the main reason for having former Presidents Taft and Roosevelt and other prominent persons testify at the trial as to the character of Messrs. Glover and Flather was for the effect it would have when it came to consideration of a renewal of the charter.

If the charter is denied, the bank will take out a State charter, but will be required to withdraw from the Federal Reserve banks in other cities are disaffected with the system, it is declared. If the Riggs institution conducts its business under a State charter without loss as compared to when it existed under a national charter, the disaffected Federal Reserve banks will follow suit and withdraw from the system, it is said.

Interest in the bank's petition for an order restraining Treasury officials from

alleged attempts to wreck the institution also was heightened by the acquittal of the bankers yesterday. The injunction suit was filed a year ago before Justice McCoy, who withheld his decision. A representative of the bank declared he believed the decision would be handed down shortly because of the settlement of the perjury trial.

The trial of the bankers, Charles C. Glover, president; William J. Flather, vice president; and Henry H. Flather, resigned cashier, was an outgrowth of the injunction proceedings. They were indicted for perjury on an affidavit denying charges by counsel for the Treasury officials that the bank dealt in stocks. They were placed on trial three weeks ago.

The verdict was reached in an unprecedented brevity of time. Justice Siddons began his charge at 10:03 o'clock and closed exactly two hours later. The jury was excused. E. L. Engle was elected foreman immediately after they reached their room.

Out Only Nine Minutes.

"Is everybody for acquittal?" it is said he asked. The jurors were unanimous in the affirmative. This took but nine minutes, there being no debate.

When the vindicated defendants reached the Riggs Bank, a crowd of several hundred people, attracted by the demonstration of clerks of the bank, awaited them. Every window in the north end of the Treasury Building, facing the bank, was filled with government employees. Their appreciation of the situation found expression in the waving of hundreds of Treasury towels. It is said a towel was waved from the office of Comptroller of the Currency Williams, which has one window facing the bank. More than 600 telegrams were delivered at the bank up to 5 o'clock yesterday.

Mr. Glover and the Messrs. Flather spent much of the afternoon at the bank reuniting friends.

NEAR TO BLOWS AT
BLAKESLEE HEARINGFourth Assistant Postmaster General
Admits Starting Agitation,
but Justifies Acts.

The Senate Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads had an exciting session yesterday with Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Blakeslee, who is charged with the responsibility by the members of the committee of having sent out letters to postmasters throughout the country directing them to bombard the Senate with telegrams and letters urging the committee to repeal the postoffice law. He admitted that he had started the agitation and justified his action on the ground that the Postmaster General's recommendations were vital and that they were necessary for the good of the service.

Postmaster General Burleson has denied any responsibility for the propaganda and seemed to put the responsibility on Mr. Blakeslee. The latter was called before the committee yesterday. He admitted that he had started the agitation and justified his action on the ground that the Postmaster General's recommendations were vital and that they were necessary for the good of the service.

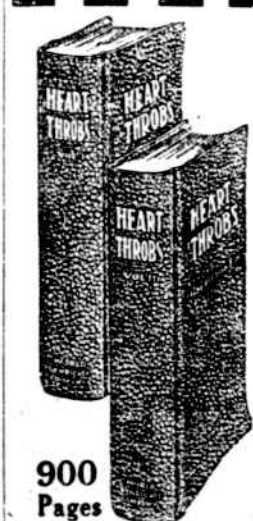
Mr. Blakeslee had a short session with the members of the committee. His attitude was not conciliatory in the least. The members of the committee were sententious and at one time it looked as if he might come to blows with members of the committee who criticized his conduct severely.

Woman Knocks Fugitive "Cold."
Yonkers, N. Y., May 27.—The flight of Thomas J. McCarroll from a policeman who wanted to arrest him for fighting in a street car, was checked by Mrs. Otto Peters, who rendered the fugitive unconscious with a right and left on the jaw.

Hebrew Women Plan Excursion.
The Young Women's Hebrew Association will hold its annual excursion to Colonial Beach next Sunday. The trip is in charge of a committee consisting of Mrs. L. Kramer and Mrs. J. H. Wolfe.

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WAVES FOR NAVY'S DEAD

The Department of Potomac, Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Jennie T. Thomson, department president, will hold memorial services for the sailor-soldiers at the Fire Fighter wharf, the foot of Seventh street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The water memorial service of the Woman's Relief Corps will be used, and Rev. Paul Hickok, national chaplain of the Sons of Veterans, will officiate. Mrs. Rose Rutledge, division president of the auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, is chairman of the committee. The musical features are in charge of Emil Lang.

After the services on the wharf, the Fire Fighter, which has been loaned for the purpose by the Commissioners of the District, and Chief Wagner will take aboard a limited number of departmental

and national officers and a load of flowers and proceed to the Aqueduct Bridge, thence down below the Arsenal. Flowers will be scattered on the waters in memory of those who went down at sea fighting for the flag.

QUICK ACTION ON D. C. BILL.

Senate Subcommittee Expected to
Start Work at Once.

Quick action on the District bill by the Senate subcommittee on District appropriations is expected. The bill went to the committee yesterday afternoon. It is expected that Senator Smith, of Maryland, chairman of the subcommittee, will call his subcommittee together some time this week for the purpose of blocking out the work.

The settlement of the half-and-half feature of the bill will be left to the

last. Indications are that the subcommittee will favor the retention of the recent arrangement, and the full committee probably will adopt this view, but a hard fight will be made on the floor of the Senate to retain the House rider abolishing the fixed proportion.

Musical Comedy Repeated.

The repetition of the musical comedy, "The End of the Rainbow," at the Belasco last night by the pupils of Prof. Howard Leslie Holt brought forth another capacity audience. As in the previous performance, little Miss Bernice Wall, a tot of 5 years, made a decided impression in her song, "Some Baby," and her "Cupid" dance. Others who appeared to advantage were Miss Doris Schlegel, Miss Parsley, Miss Adelaide Farrar and Miss Beatrice Coles.

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